

LIBERAL MEETING.

Candidates For the Road Board
Announced.WILCOX DENIES HAVING WRITTEN
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LETTERS.

Over one hundred people assembled at the old Armory on New Year's Eve to hear Hon. R. W. Wilcox's account of his recent political stumping tour around Hawaii and Maui. Hon. J. E. Bush presided.

Hon. D. W. Pua, of the executive committee, announced the Liberal party's candidates for the Road Board, which are Samuel C. Dwight, Samuel Mahelona and Abraham Fernandez. The confirmation of the candidates by the Liberalists was delayed till they receive from them a public statement of their views. S. Kekukahiko was appointed a committee of one to inform those gentlemen to appear before the Liberal party.

The arrival of R. W. Wilcox was hailed by the audience with rapturous cheers. Cries of "Wilcox" from every part of the hall compelled him to come forward and address them. He avoided his usual noisy style of speaking.

R. W. Wilcox: Dear friends: The elections are drawing nigh. Political opponents are now springing up. They include the most influential men which the other side could muster. Our enemies have forwarded forged letters of a revolutionary character abroad and they have blamed me for them. They said that I am guilty of sending these letters to Mr. Moreno. I have read these very same letters months ago in San Francisco and Washington papers. My name was not attached to them then, but now I see that my name has been attached.

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first duties are to instruct them in the right paths. I must enlighten them of their duties to their nation. [Cheers.] I would work to promote even those who are my most inveterate foes, if I know they are honest in their purposes; but traitors, they must suffer deserved penalties. [Cheers.] Our city officials are not awake to their duties. Hawaii is enjoying a peaceful prosperity under Mr. Hitchcock. How is the Hon. Tahitian creature cast on our shores from an obscure place? [Cheers.] (Here Mr. Wilcox desired anyone in the audience to ask him questions relating to the alleged letters, but the audience demanded of him to relate to them the story of his recent political campaign around Maui and Hawaii.)

Mr. Wilcox continuing said: A monarch is good, if the sovereign is good, and so is a republic. That is my sincere belief. I have stated this oft times before. I detest to see an ignorant coachman placed above us. I cannot tolerate the sight of freaks of nature. The divine right of kings was the belief that pervaded the minds of the people in ages gone by. We are now in an enlightened age. The doctrine of the divine right of kings is just as foolish as shutting yourself up in your closet and praying for food. You must labor. I will now begin our story: Mr. White and myself arrived at Kohala on Saturday. We went to Niuli, and there held a meeting. The insufficiency of the notice did not interfere with our obtaining an enormous crowd. We addressed the people. Hon. J. K. Kahookano is the planter's candidate there. Mr. Kamaooha is our candidate, and he is very strong there. On Monday we went to Waimea, and the following day arrived at Hamakua. We held a meeting at Waipio. Mr. Kaunamano represents the planters, and J. Paakiki the Liberal Party. They are both good men. The candidates at North Hilo are J. Haakimona and J. M. Mottson. At Central Hilo, Messrs. Kauwila Unea, Koahou, Mossman and Henry West are the candidates. Hon. J. Nawahi has no opposition at South Hilo. We held a meeting there, and Mr. White spoke for two hours to an enthusiastic audience. Mr. Ryecroft will likely be put up to oppose Mr. Nawahi. The Reform party are still silent, but yet they are working secretly. Rev. Joseph will oppose Hon. Kamal at Makani. Hon. J. W. P. Kaneohe is sure of election at Waikuku. At Makawao, Hon. H. P. Baldwin has put forward Mr. Kaluna to oppose J. Kamakele. At Lahaina, Hon. W. Whittehead and J. W. Kalua are in the field. Our foreign friends have said that they would give the preference of election to office to competent Hawaiians. We have plenty of them now, but still they are not appointed. Do not believe in that idle talk, they only say that to catch your votes. They do not love Hawaii. I can bring forward twenty-five Hawaiian scholars against the same number of haole government officials. The native boys can discount them in mathematics, I am sure of that. I am not bitterly opposed to haoles. There are many respectable foreigners here. One of our leaders, Mr. Bowler, and wants to become a Noble! We are not deficient in the number of educated Hawaiians. I want to raise up "one haole maikai," (good foreigners), but not illiterate masons. [Cheers.]

Hon. Jos. NAWAHI: We want justice to prevail. Those who are against us are averse to do it. Any Hawaiian who does not want his race to be raised should have a millstone around his neck and thrown into the sea. If I shall be elected at the coming elections, I shall then arrive at my twentieth year in the legislature. The legislature has become my schoolhouse. My past record in the house is unblemished, and you are witnesses to it. If you trust me, reject traitors. Wilcox did not write those letters printed in the Holomua. The allusion to the Queen and Mr. Cleghorn clears Wilcox of its authorship. Mr. Wilcox is too well posted to write such a mixed-up account. When the new constitution was placed before the late King for his signature, I was the first one to read it. The King required my advice. I pointed out to him the objectionable clauses. I urged him not to sign it; but six days later, the constitution was signed and promulgated.

J. E. BUSH: The letters attributed to Wilcox are forgeries. They were the work of cunning lawyers. These letters were first published in Mr. J. A. Cummins' paper, the Holomua. I tell you, Mr. Cummins was the very one who wrote to the American Minister to land sailors when the Queen defied Mr. Cummins' Cabinet. Mr. Wilcox cannot write good English. I believe that a certain haole, on our side and whom we have received into our fellowship, is the author of these letters. His ignorance betrayed him to do this, and we pardon him for it. (Mr. Bush continued for nearly half an hour. His utterances were very indecent at times. He made hostile remarks against his political opponents, mostly Hawaiians.)

The meeting adjourned at 9:45.

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In addition to the Pamphlets, sets of Twenty large sized Photographures, 14x18, printed on cardboard, with a border and fancy title in bronze, have been received and are now on sale at the Art Rooms of the Pacific Hardware Company. The pictures are of Island Views, printed from original negatives taken especially for this work for the Volcano and Railroad Companies. There is nothing finer made in the picture line than the remarkable distinctness of the half tones and shadows in these pictures.

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